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## Students Successful at NCASB Conference

MSB's swimmers took fourth place at the North Central Association of Schools for the Blind championship meet, held the weekend of April 24 at Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

Scoring a total of 159 points, Missouri's swim-

mers placed behind first place winner Indiana, who was followed closely by Ohio. Iowa came in third. Six other schools trailed Missouri.

MSB's girls' team led the scoring effort with 103 points. The 200 yard medley relay team, comprised of Amanda Drake, Tabitha Jenkins, Skily Smith and Amber Attaway won a gold medal. The coed 200 yard freestyle relay team, comprised of Tabitha, Skily, Ellaun Williams and Trevon Graves won silver. Individual winners were Tabitha, third in the I.M.; fourth in 100 yard breaststroke and sixth in 100 yard freestyle. Skily placed fifth in the 200 yard freestyle and the 100 yard butterfly.

Ellaun ribboned for fifth in the 50 yard freestyle and sixth in the 100 yard freestyle. Trevon placed fifth in the 200 yard freestyle and seventh in the 50 and 100 yard freestyle events.

Other MSB swim team members are Brynn Haines, Kathryn Hurd, Alex Richardson and Breck Campbell.

MSB Forensics competitors Skily Smith won a gold medal in Humorous Prose for The Frog Who Wanted to Be a Singer and Leticia Eckhoff placed fourth in Great Speeches for Development in the 21st Century, text by Secretary of State Clinton.

CALENDAR	
Teacher Appreciation Week	<b>M</b> ay 3-7
RCEE "Fit For Life!" at MSB	May 4
Truman Day State Holiday - School in Session	May 7
Mother's Day	May 9
Claymont Orchestra Concert	May 14
Senior Week	May 24-28
SAT Testing	May 24-28
Memorial Day Holiday - No School	May 31
Commencement	June 3, 7 p.m.
Last Day of School	June 4
Alumni Weekend	June 4-6

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### King and Queen



Ellaun Williams and Skily Smith were crowned king and queen of the Junior-Senior Prom, held Thursday, April 29, at the Genesis Banquet Center.



## More Than a Lamp!

#### MAY BIRTHDAYS May 2 ANTHONY BOSMAN May 3 KAREN COLEMAN MAY 4 **TROY BROWN** May 9 **ANNA SCHELL MAY 15** WILLIE ELLISON ANGELA HAYES **MAY 23 MILTON IRVING MATT JOHNSON MAY 25 ANN BOSTON MAY 27** VIRTRESS BEARD **HAVE A GREAT DAY!**

MSB sophomore Tyler Boykin, a student in David Wixom's *Industrial Metals Technology* class, built this multi-purpose lamp this semester using "found" materials.

The lamp, which can function as a TV lamp, a reading lamp and as indirect room lighting, was conceptualized and designed from start to finish by Tyler. The base is from a discarded microphone and the shade is from galvanized sheet metal which Tyler covered with aluminum paint and clear coated. He

also removed rust from the column and polished and waxed the metal.

Mr. Wixom said that the lamp integrates aesthetics and engineering and exemplifies the three "R's of Recycling: Reduce, Reuse and Repurpose." He explained that "Tyler added meaning and value to a discarded object and created something even many sighted people don't believe they can do. Every time Tyler looks at this lamp it reinforces the message of success!"